

# HOUSE BILL No. 1550

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 14-23-4-7.

**Synopsis:** Back country areas. Provides that back country areas of Yellowwood State Forest and Morgan-Monroe State Forest may not be developed in a manner that permits motorized access, commercial logging, or commercial activity.

**Effective:** July 1, 2009.

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January 16, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

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First Regular Session 116th General Assembly (2009)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 14-23-4-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2009]: **Sec. 7. (a) The general assembly finds:**

4 (1) **that there are certain unique areas in Indiana's state**  
5 **forests that contain notable natural physical features in areas**  
6 **that provide nonmotorized access;**

7 (2) **that pristine forest areas provide unique recreational and**  
8 **ecological benefits to the citizens of Indiana; and**

9 (3) **that these areas should be preserved for future**  
10 **generations.**

11 (b) **Any area of Yellowwood State Forest and Morgan-Monroe**  
12 **State Forest that:**

13 (1) **was designated, by the department or on maps prepared**  
14 **by the department before January 1, 2009, as a back country**  
15 **area; and**

16 (2) **is contained within an area bordered by:**  
17 (A) **Low Gap Road on the west;**



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- 1                   **(B) Downey Road on the north;**
- 2                   **(C) Bear Creek Road on the east; and**
- 3                   **(D) North Shore Drive on the south;**
- 4           **may not be developed in a manner that permits motorized access,**
- 5           **commercial logging, or commercial activity.**

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